

Desloge Landfill Repair

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Katie

Based upon my review of the file & conversation with you on 11-25 I have come up with the following

Doherty's memo of 10-16-81 indicates that based upon available info there is not a significant environmental hazard His memo also seems to imply that we ^(EPA) can't/won't take a 7003 action since there is a Covenant Not To Sue between several agencies Apparently we have made some type of an agreement with Mo that we will not take a 7003 action

Even though we will not be taking a 7003 action - which we could based upon study results showing fish contamination-the following concerns should be addressed

- 1 There is a significant environmental hazard(based upon available info)
- 2 Even though it appears that Mo & the other entities involved have repair of the landfill dam under control this is not the only issue Other issues incl
3. Cleanup of river sediment
- 4 Future actions to prevent additional dam erosion
5. A long term sampling/environmental program should be undertaken
- 6 It appears that St Joe Minerals should

probably be taking a lot more responsibility
over the long term
7 There are a large number of tailings
ponds/plies in leadwood (near Deshae)
which could also be contributing/pollution
of the Big River

8 Based upon my review it appears
that if possible we should not let this
drop from our standpoint I don't know
who would initiate action or take
responsibility for a study of pollution from
tailings ponds/plies in the lead belt area

9 All modifying point sources to allow
and to plan how we can do this - if